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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 through 47 (Cancel)

48. (New) A method, comprising:

wirelessly transmitting an activation signal from a presence detector;
 in response to the activation signal, wirelessly receiving an identification signal at the presence detector, the identification signal comprising a user identifier that identifies a user associated with a transponder;
 communicating the user identifier to a computer coupled to the presence detector;
 querying for a user profile associated with the user identifier;
 accessing the user profile to determine at least one action to be executed in response to the user identifier;
 executing the at least one action, the at least one action comprising i) directing an email application to retrieve and send email messages and ii) directing a voicemail application to retrieve voicemail messages;
 sending the user identifier to a presence database;
 querying the presence database for other user identifiers associated with the user identifier; and
 receiving presence updates identifying presence of the other user identifiers.

49. (New) The method according to claim 48, further comprising accessing conflict determination rules when two or more actions conflict, the conflict determination rules specifying that a first executed action predominates over a later action.

50. (New) The method according to claim 49, further comprising accessing the conflict determination rules when two or more user's actions conflict, the conflict determination rules specifying one of the user's actions to predominate.

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51. (New) The method according to claim 49, further comprising i) querying to determine which user's action predominates and ii) receiving a reply to the query specifying which action is to be executed.
52. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein executing the at least one action comprises denying access to the computer when an aggregate amount of access is exceeded.
53. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein executing the at least one action comprises requesting information for a webpage.
54. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein executing the at least one action comprises tuning to a channel and adjusting a volume.
55. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein wirelessly receiving the identification signal comprises an ultrasonic signal.
56. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein wirelessly receiving the identification signal comprises an infrared signal.
57. (New) The method according to claim 48, wherein wirelessly receiving the identification signal comprises detecting a Doppler shift caused by the user.
58. (New) A system, comprising:

means for wirelessly transmitting an activation signal from a presence detector;
in response to the activation signal, means for wirelessly receiving an
identification signal at the presence detector, the identification signal comprising a user
identifier that identifies a user associated with a transponder;
means for communicating the user identifier to a computer coupled to the

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presence detector;

means for querying for a user profile associated with the user identifier;

means for accessing the user profile to determine at least one action to be executed in response to the user identifier;

means for executing the at least one action, the at least one action comprising i) directing an email application to retrieve and send email messages and ii) directing a voicemail application to retrieve voicemail messages;

means for sending the user identifier to a presence database;

means for querying the presence database for other user identifiers associated with the user identifier; and

means for receiving presence updates identifying presence of the other user identifiers.

59. (New) The system according to claim 58, further comprising means for accessing conflict determination rules when two or more actions conflict, the conflict determination rules specifying that a first executed action predominates over a later action.
60. (New) The system according to claim 59, further comprising means for accessing the conflict determination rules when two or more user's actions conflict, the conflict determination rules specifying one of the user's actions to predominate.
61. (New) The system according to claim 59, further comprising i) means for querying to determine which user's action predominates and ii) means for receiving a reply to the query specifying which action is to be executed.
62. (New) The system according to claim 58, wherein the means for executing the at least one action comprises means for denying access to the computer when an aggregate amount of access is exceeded.
63. (New) The system according to claim 58, wherein the means for executing the at least

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one action comprises means for requesting information for a webpage.

64. (New) The system according to claim 58, wherein the means for executing the at least one action comprises means for tuning to a channel and means for adjusting a volume.
65. (New) The system according to claim 58, wherein the means for wirelessly receiving the identification signal comprises means for wirelessly receiving an ultrasonic signal.
66. (New) The system according to claim 58, wherein the means for wirelessly receiving the identification signal comprises means for wirelessly receiving an infrared signal.
67. (New) The system according to claim 58, wherein the means for wirelessly receiving the identification signal comprises means for detecting a Doppler shift caused by the user.
68. (New) A computer readable media storing processor executable instructions for performing a method, the method comprising:

wirelessly transmitting an activation signal from a presence detector;

in response to the activation signal, wirelessly receiving an identification signal at the presence detector, the identification signal comprising a user identifier that identifies a user associated with a transponder;

communicating the user identifier to a computer coupled to the presence detector;

querying for a user profile associated with the user identifier;

accessing the user profile to determine at least one action to be executed in response to the user identifier;

executing the at least one action, the at least one action comprising i) directing an email application to retrieve and send email messages and ii) directing a voicemail application to retrieve voicemail messages;

sending the user identifier to a presence database;

querying the presence database for other user identifiers associated with the user

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identifier; and

receiving presence updates identifying presence of the other user identifiers.

69. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for accessing conflict determination rules when two or more actions conflict, the conflict determination rules specifying that a first executed action predominates over a later action.
70. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 69, further comprising instructions for accessing the conflict determination rules when two or more user's actions conflict, the conflict determination rules specifying one of the user's actions to predominate.
71. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 69, further comprising i) instructions for querying to determine which user's action predominates and ii) instructions for receiving a reply to the query specifying which action is to be executed.
72. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for denying access to the computer when an aggregate amount of access is exceeded.
73. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for requesting information for a webpage.
74. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for tuning to a channel and means for adjusting a volume.
75. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for wirelessly receiving an ultrasonic signal.

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76. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for wirelessly receiving an infrared signal.
77. (New) The computer readable media according to claim 68, further comprising instructions for detecting a Doppler shift caused by the user.